



Minute of the Meeting of Cameron Community Council
Wednesday 19 February 2020 at 6.30 pm
Cameron Parish Hall

Community Councillors Present: Gordon Ball, Ian Cameron, Katherine Christie, John Picken (Chair), Jay Spankie, Bruce Thomson

Ex Officio members present: Cllr Linda Holt

Visitor: The Chair had invited Mr Stewart of 'Stewart's Resort' to attend the meeting, however he was not present. There followed general discussion relating to the current development for 82 lodges at North Bank Farm, the recent EIA screening opinion for a further 99 lodges, and publicity material in the public domain indicating 300 lodges and golf course. Concerns were identified about the A915 being blocked when delivery vehicles for the lodges were unable to turn into the access road.

Action: Secretary to raise concerns about A915 blockages with FC Roads

It was reported that Chris Smith in FC was overseeing the planning cases for North Bank Farm at this time.

1 Apologies

Stephen Lohoar, Innes Wright, Cllr John Docherty, Cllr Bill Porteous, Community Police Team representative

2 Community Police Team: Update

The Secretary reported on the written update from the Community Police Team (**Attachment 1**). During the month of January 2020 there were 263 calls to the police from the St Andrews area, but none were specific to the Cameron area. Additionally, highlighted was a 'Coffee with Cops' event at Morrisons Café, St Andrews, on 29 February, 11am-1pm.

3 Approval of minutes of previous meetings

The minutes of the meeting of the previous CCC, on 15 January 2020, were approved as an accurate record.

4 Matters arising minutes of previous meeting, not otherwise on this agenda

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5 Planning Applications for CCC attention

a. *Matters arising from minutes of previous meeting:*

- Item 5d, Proposed FC changes to publication of planning comments: Actioned. Secretary had forwarded CCC's concerns about changes to Fife Council on 15 January 2020. Also tabled as **Attachment 2**, was a copy of a letter from Fife Council Planning Services to Willie Rennie MSP in response to similar concerns, from which it was noted that the proposed changes would be introduced despite concerns.

- b. Pending Applications: 19/03283/FULL, Change of use agricultural buildings to retail unit, Langraw Farm: Application approved, with conditions, January 2020.
- c. New Applications: None

6 Roads in CCC Area

a. *Matters arising from minutes of previous meeting:*

- Item 6a (Denhead/Road Safety): Actioned. Secretary had emailed FC Senior Manager, who had allocated issue to another member of staff. In subsequent correspondence (**Attachment 3**) it had been confirmed that road signage and engineer visit etc as agreed by residents would go ahead, with a further speed check to be undertaken after these works in summer 2020. Secretary now reported confirmation of engineer visit was awaited.
- Item 6a (Mirror at Cameron Kirk junction): Actioned. Secretary had emailed FC Senior Manager, who had allocated issue to another member of staff. In subsequent correspondence (**Attachment 4**) it had been confirmed that FC would not sanction the use of mirrors at junctions for safety reasons. FC also confirmed that some improvement works were scheduled on the A915 'Route Accident Reduction Scheme' and further work at this 'low volume' access point were unlikely. CCC agreed it should not install a mirror, given that FC had outlined safety reasons against their use.
- Item 6a (2020/21 Area Roads Programme), and Item 6a (Peat Inn traffic calming): Actioned. Secretary had forwarded CCC's suggestions for a roundabout at A915/C41 junction and for traffic calming measures at Peat Inn to FC Traffic Managers for inclusion in 2020/21 area roads programme. In subsequent correspondence (**Attachment 5**), FC confirmed a) a roundabout would cost c£500k whereas total 2020/21 budget for NE Fife was £142k, however improvements to the junction were already scheduled as part of the 'Route Accident Reduction Scheme' and b) the requests relating to Peat Inn would be considered under the revenue budget and not the capital budget. The Secretary was asked to follow up this latter point and request a timeline for its consideration and decision.

Action: Secretary to contact FC Traffic Managers for timeline, Peat Inn traffic calming

- Item 6a (Peat Inn solar lights): in Cllr Docherty's absence it was noted that the solar lights are still not repaired.
 - Item 6a (C41 gritting): Actioned. Secretary had emailed FC Service Manager on 15 January 2020. In subsequent correspondence (**Attachment 6**) it was confirmed the gritting schedule on this road was being checked and CCC would be updated.
- b. Pavements and footpaths, Programme for 2020/21: Cllr Holt reported that there was still time to suggest any pavements and footpaths for improvement in the 2020/21 programme of works. Suggestions should be sent to Secretary asap.
- Action: CCC to send suggestions for pavements and footpaths to Secretary asap**
- c. Fault reporting: It was strongly encouraged, when using FC's online fault reporting tool, to add photographs of the fault to illustrate its seriousness.

7. Finance and Accounts

a. *Matters arising from minutes of previous meeting:*

- Item 7a (Higham Toll, Community Planning Grant): Actioned and in progress. Chair confirmed contractors had not been able to visit site due to adverse weather but would provide quotes for mesh and gravel-type surface. Chair confirmed St

Andrews Manshed would supply refurbished tops for existing tables and seats. Chair proposed, and CCC agreed, to the purchase of one new picnic table and seats in recycled plastic, with metal panel for protection from portable bbqs.

- Item 7a (CCC annual grant): Actioned. Suggestions for annual grant were: one picnic table and seats for Higham Toll; an historical interpretative board for 'The Depot'.

Action: Chair to contact Anne Camus, FC Tourism, for advice on interpretative board

Planters for villages were also suggested: it was noted that John Henderson Fabrication had made the planters for St Andrews.

Action: Chair to contact John Henderson Fabrication for planter quotes

- b. Adoption of Peat Inn Payphone box: Secretary had received contract documentation for formal adoption, and Chair signed it. Secretary to send it, along with payment of £1.00, to BT to complete adoption process. CCC will be informed when the payphone box has been decommissioned and ownership transferred. It was noted that this new asset should be included in insurance renewal documentation. Treasurer to contact FC insurance dept for suggestion of value to be placed on the phone box.

Action: Treasurer to contact FC insurance dept for phone box insurance valuation

8 Community Emergency Plan

a. *Matters arising from minutes of previous meeting:*

- Item 8 (CCC Plan): BT requested, and received, confirmation from CCC of proposed sections of text in CCC draft emergency plan following comments received from FC. Final draft will be returned to FC for final sign-off.

10 Fife Councillors' Update

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10 AOCB

- Out of hours urgent care update: Chair reported on a recent meeting of the OOHS working group where it was reported that the group had been refused data from IJB on the usage of OOHS since the changes to service were introduced. Continuing concerns with the level of provision were reported.
- Fife Community Portal: FC had requested suggestions for improving the online Community Portal. CCC had none at this stage.
- A915 ditch: concerns were raised about the condition of the ditch on the west side of the A915, south of Cameron Hall.

Action: Secretary to highlight A915 ditch to FC

- BT requested CCC approval to place commemorative wreath on CCC's behalf at the grave of Cameron resident Malcolm Campbell, who lost his life in a mine explosion at Pike River Mine, Greymouth, New Zealand in 2010. CCC agreed to this request and offered continued condolences to the Campbell family.

11 Date of next meeting

The next meeting will be held on 18 March 2020, 6.30pm, Cameron Parish Hall.

End of meeting

Proposer:

Seconder:

Date: